

## EXPLOSION WRECKS YACHT.

ASTRID'S DECKS SENT SKYWARD, SHE BURNS AND SINKS.

Her Steward Badly Burned and in Critical Condition—Crew Escape by Jumping into the Sound—Gasoline Tank Catches Fire While the Yacht is Getting Breakfast.

PORT CHESTER, N. Y., June 5.—The crack 30,000 racing sloop Astrid, belonging to William and A. G. Hannan, was destroyed by a gasoline explosion this morning while lying at anchor off her owners' summer home on the Sound. The explosion was so great that it was felt in Greenwich and Port Chester, several miles distant, and it shattered the windows of houses on the shore. When the accident occurred the crew of the Astrid, consisting of six sailors, were sleeping in the fore-cabin. They escaped by leaping from the burning boat into Long Island Sound. No one was injured seriously except William McKeloid, the steward, who, it is said, is responsible for the explosion. He is terribly burned and is in the Port Chester Hospital in a critical condition. What is left of the yacht is at the bottom of the Sound and only her blackened topmast spars are visible. The Astrid had been in commission only a week yesterday. Mr. Hannan and his brother, Addison, came up to Port Chester and took her out for a trial spin. The boat was entered in several races for the big 70-footers and they wanted to see her speed. Capt. Petersen, who was first mate on the defender when she beat Valkyrie III in 1895, is skipper of the Astrid. After landing her owner she returned to Port Chester and dropped anchor at the mouth of the Byram River, and after everything was made snug the crew turned in for the night.

The steward was the first one up this morning. He arose at 5 o'clock and busied himself in the galley getting breakfast. It is said that last night, after the cruise, a galley maid had been told to clean up and that the steward connected it with the smaller tank which fed the cook stove. He apparently forgot to disconnect the gas valve for when he lighted the burners of the gas stove the flame ignited the gasoline tank and instantly there was an explosion that tore off the entire deck and sent everything flying skyward.

The burning oil set fire to the rigging and in a few seconds the yacht was a mass of flames. The crew rushed on deck, Capt. Petersen was the first to jump overboard. The first thing that attracted his attention was the burning galley. He saw the flames in the galley covered with burning oil. The captain at the risk of his life sprang down into the burning hull and saw that the gas valves were shut off. He then saw that the gas was only the part left of the deck, where the galley maid had been told to clean up. In rescuing the steward Capt. Petersen was severely burned about the hands and face.

In the excitement of getting McKeloid out the sailors forgot their clothing and rushed down among the burning debris. They were bare feet. When they tried to re-enter the boat they found the door too hot. Seeing that nothing could be done they turned to the water and swam. The flames burned so fiercely that the yacht sank in twenty minutes. Besides losing their clothing the sailors lost their watches, keys, water and jewelry, amounting to several hundred dollars.

Had it not been for the fact that the boat was a racing sloop it would have been a tragedy. The Astrid was built in 1888 by A. & J. Inglis at Glasgow from designs by George L. Watson and was owned by George L. Watson. She was the best boat in the world last year she was purchased by William and Addison G. Hannan and brought to these waters, where she was used for racing. Another English officer, who had been imported by Commodore F. M. Hoyt, took the second prize of \$100 for the best work in the four years' course.

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**MOTHER CAN'T HAVE HER CHILD.**  
Once Deserted It Can't Be Reclaimed: Others Have Adopted It.

Mrs. Alvina Nelson's writ of habeas corpus to obtain possession of her child, Harry, abandoned four years ago at the age of eight months, was dismissed by Judge O'Connor yesterday in the Supreme Court. The child had been adopted by John C. Woods and wife. The child was left in a hallway by John Nelson, its father, while its mother stood outside the awaiting him. Nelson died on Blackwell's Island in 1899. Mrs. Nelson said that she understood her husband had gone into the hall to get her child, but she never saw him again. She said that she had been told that the child was dead, but she had been told that the child was alive and that she had been told that the child was in the hands of a woman named Mrs. Woods.

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Harriman Said He Had No Idea How He Got to New York.

NEW YORK, N. Y., June 5.—A man about 45 years old, who said that he was W. L. Harriman, of 2106 Seventh avenue, New York city, was found wandering yesterday in New Rochelle. Policeman McSweney who made the arrest said that he was not able to take care of himself and entered a charge of insanity. The prisoner was found in a state of confusion and was unable to give any account of himself. He was found in a state of confusion and was unable to give any account of himself.

**ALAN S. WILLIAMS QUILTS COSCO.**  
Former Police Inspector Sells His Country Place—Goes to Long Island City.

GREENWICH, Conn., June 5.—Former Police Inspector Alexander S. Williams of New York has shaken the dust of Coscoff from his feet. He has sold his estate there and has come away. He said to a friend before his departure: "I can no longer live here."

**WANT TO KEEP HIS SCHOOL.**  
Supt. James's Recommendation That He Be Transferred Is Rejected.

The School Board of Manhattan and The Bronx voted last night to reject the report of the committee on Teachers' recommendations that Mr. James be transferred to school 6, which is much nearer his home. The committee had recommended that Mr. James be transferred to school 6, which is much nearer his home. The committee had recommended that Mr. James be transferred to school 6, which is much nearer his home.

## PIECE OF HIS SKULL SAWED OUT.

Rare Operation Performed on a Thirteen-Year-Old Boy to Remove Brain Pressure.

An operation, said to be only the tenth of its kind, was performed yesterday by Dr. Gottlieb Sternberg, an eighteen-year-old leader of the 181st Mass. Regt., who since his birth has been simple-minded because of congenital microcephalia or abnormal smallness of the skull.

The left side of the boy's skull was so small that it pressed on his brain. Dr. Sternberg said last night that he cut out a piece of the skull nearly as big as the normal one, and wide, and then he and the physicians helping him sawed the scalp over the gap.

"The skin over the skull will grow hard enough to keep the brain in at that point," said Dr. Sternberg, "and I think that the operation will be perfectly successful, although it will be some time before that can be determined. So far as I can find out, only ten similar operations for this particular disease have ever been performed. Two were successful. This boy's brain is perfectly normal and he ought to get along well now."

## DRY GOODS TRUST IN SMALL CITIES.

Imperial Company Gets a Charter in Delaware to Do Business in Pennsylvania.

MCKEESPORT, Pa., June 5.—The Imperial Dry Goods Company, with a capital of \$1,000,000, has secured a charter in Delaware. J. Plank of Carlisle, Pa., is President, and a meeting will be held in that city to-morrow. John K. Siskely, dry goods merchant, of McKeesport and Homer C. Stewart, cashier of the First National Bank of this city, both heavily interested in the company, left for that city to-night to attend the meeting.

## PHYSICIAN ACCUSED OF CRUELTY.

Squirted Ammonia on a Brother Doctor's Dog Aggravated Medico Advised to Sue.

Dr. Frederick Kraft of 242 West Forty-second street and Dr. E. M. Thompson of 240, next door, went to the West Side police court yesterday to settle troubles that have arisen because they both keep dogs. Dr. Thompson was summoned by his fellow physician who charged him with cruelty to animals.

Dr. Thompson, it seems, has three dogs, all small ones, and Dr. Kraft boasts of only one. But as his wife proudly stated, that is "750" inches tall and weighs only 75 pounds." It is an English greyhound. Dr. Kraft charged that last Tuesday while "Snapper," the greyhound, was in the back yard of Dr. Thompson's apartment house, it bit its eyes, giving the dog much pain.

The doctor did not deny squirting a weak solution of ammonia in the dog's eyes. He said that he used it to get rid of the dog's eyes. He said that he used it to get rid of the dog's eyes. He said that he used it to get rid of the dog's eyes.

## DEGREES FOR WOMEN DOCTORS.

Fourteen Women in Class of Twenty-six Graduated From Cornell University Med. School.

Twenty-six doctors of medicine received their diplomas last night at the commencement exercises of the Cornell University medical school at First avenue and Twenty-eighth street. Fourteen of the graduates were women. One of them, Emily Dunning, took the second prize of \$100 for the best work in the four years' course.

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## TAX ON OIL DEALERS IN TENNESSEE.

Bill Specially Passed Creating a Monopoly for the Standard Company.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., June 5.—Bills were filed in the chamber of commerce today attacking the legality of an act passed by the last session of the Tennessee Legislature which virtually created a monopoly for the Standard Oil Company in Tennessee. The Assembly passed a law, secretly and without the least discussion, placing a tax of \$25,000 on wholesale and retail oil dealers. The tax was to be paid to the Standard Oil Company.

## FORTY-SEVEN TAKE DEGREES.

Commencement Exercises of New York University Yesterday.

Degrees were conferred on forty-seven students of the College and School of Applied Science of New York University yesterday afternoon at University Heights. The awards in the University College were Butler Classical Fellowship to Julius Gottlieb, Butler Philosophical Fellowship to Charles Galloway, Hill Junior Fellowship to Arthur Edward Hill, Junior Fellowship to Arthur Edward Hill, Junior Fellowship to Arthur Edward Hill, Junior Fellowship to Arthur Edward Hill, Junior Fellowship to Arthur Edward Hill.

## Mr. Nicholas Gets the Forrest Monument.

Memphis, Tenn., June 5.—After a sharp contest between the leading sculptors of the United States, a committee this afternoon accepted the design and awarded the contract for the Forrest monument to be erected here to the memory of Gen. Bedford Forrest.

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## COURT IN HAWAIIAN ROW.

JUDGE SENDS THREE PROMINENT LAWYERS TO JAIL FOR CONTEMPT.

Acting Governor Cooper Pardons Them at Once—Bar Association Starts a Movement for the Removal of the Judge—Case Grows Out of Grand Jury Bribery Investigation.

HONOLULU, May 29, via San Francisco, June 5.—An open rupture between the judicial and administrative departments of the Government has resulted from the Grand Jury investigations of bribery and steps are being taken to have Judge A. S. Humphreys of the Circuit Court removed. This stand by Acting Governor Cooper and the leading members of the bar is due to the conduct of Judge Humphreys in sentencing three of the leading attorneys to thirty days' imprisonment for contempt of court.

The trouble arose over the case of Walter Gifford Smith, editor of the *Advertiser*, who was indicted for libel. Smith's affidavit was read, reciting facts which in his opinion made it impossible for Judge Humphreys to hear the case. This affidavit showed that Judge Humphreys offered Smith the editorship of a new paper he started here and used every effort to induce Smith to accept. From this refusal Smith drew the enmity of Judge Humphreys toward him.

The Judge stopped the reading of the affidavit and gave an order that Smith's three attorneys, W. A. Kinney, W. A. Ballou and Gen. A. S. Hartwell, appear before him in the afternoon and show cause why they should not be punished for contempt of court. The attorneys did not appear. Among the other heavy stockholders of the National Bank of this city and several other financial institutions. The company purposes to maintain stores in Carlisle, York, Harrisburg, Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, McKeesport, Beaver and all the large towns in the State.

## G. A. R. AT ASHURY PARK.

Annual Encampment of the New Jersey Department—Nominations.

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## MRS. BECKMAN VISITS TRAPPIST.

The Second Woman to Enter the Gethsemane Monastery—Ban of Silence Removed.

LINCOLN, Ky., June 5.—For the second time in the history of the Trappist monastery of Gethsemane a woman entered its walls today. As on the first occasion when monastic peace was thus disturbed, the visitor was the wife of the Governor of Kentucky. To-day Mrs. J. C. Beckman received a welcome. Mrs. Beckman was thoroughly alive to the novelty of the occasion. The Trappists displayed the liveliest interest in the visit. The monastery was in holiday attire and the visitors passed under large American flags and streamers of the national colors.

The Brothers of the White Cow were presented to the Governor. The ban of silence was lifted by the Abbot. Otherwise there was no break in the daily routine of work and prayer. Governor and Mrs. Beckman were guests of honor at the reception to-night at Rapier's Hall. There were forty-four persons seated at the feast given by the monks in honor of the Governor's wife.

## DOWIE PATIENT GOES INSANE.

Young Woman Under Treatment in "Zion" for Nervousness Becomes Raving.

CHICAGO, June 5.—As a result of treatment for nervousness given by "Elijah" Dowie, Miss Ella Mertz, 23 years old, is said to be insane at her home in Naperville, a little town near Chicago. Fifteen months ago Miss Mertz, who is accomplished and rich, showed signs of great nervousness produced by overstudy. Her mother, who is a follower of Dowie, placed the girl in "Zion" for treatment. As she grew daily worse instead of better the "healer" determined to get her out of his institution. Her cries kept many of the other inmates terror-stricken. Her mother complained of the noise made by Miss Mertz in the night. She has been taken back to her home where she is confined, hopelessly insane.

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Took a Fifteen-Year-Old Runaway in Couple Jailed for Living on Her Shame.

ARTHUR MILLER, alias "Kid Aaron," and his wife, who were arrested yesterday for living on the proceeds of a lottery, were charged with abducting a young girl, a pretty Jewish girl 15 years old, who ran away from her home at 24 Canal street on May 12. The girl said that the Millers had persuaded her to come to the city and that they had taken the money from her. After ten days she stole one evening from the Millers and ran away. She was found by the Salvation Army and taken to the city. She was found by the Salvation Army and taken to the city.

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## VOTE WITH MISS ANTHONY.

SUFFRAGISTS YIELD TO HER DESIRE FOR WASHINGTON CONVENTION.

Will Be Held There in Alternate Years—New Orleans Favored for the 1904 Convention—The Section in Minneapolis Concluded.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., June 5.—The Twenty-third convention of the National Woman's Suffrage Convention is over after an interesting session covering one week. The feature that struck the spectator most forcibly was the paramount influence of Susan B. Anthony. Her word is still law. The next feature was the quick business like manner of Mrs. Catt, the President. She lost no time and business was transacted rapidly and thoroughly. A third subject of remark is the rapidity with which the younger element in the Association is coming to the front.

The closing sessions to-day and to-morrow were interesting. Miss Anthony opposed movable conventions, and that settled it. Several amendments were offered to the constitution, but no radical or even material changes were made. At the last session this evening addresses were made by Miss Alice Stone Blackwell, Mrs. Mary C. Bradford, Miss Harris May Mills, Mrs. Shaw and Miss Anthony.

The opening prayer this morning by the Rev. Olympia Brown was followed by the discussion of the movable convention. The proposal was vigorously opposed by Miss Anthony, who regarded the biennial meeting in Washington as the keystone of the suffrage arch. She said: "Don't for mercy sake, tear down the work of thirty years by brother and sister. Stay here from Washington every alternate year. You have done enough mischief with your movable conventions already."

The proposal having been defeated, Henry B. Blackwell moved that a biennial convention be held immediately following each Washington convention in the capital of some State. This was adopted to help accomplish the purpose of the association, carrying of the suffrage work to every part of the country.

An announcement was made of the suffrage conference on Sept. 10 and 11 at Buffalo. This will be followed by the executive meeting of the National Woman's Suffrage Association, which will be held in the city of Washington, D. C., on Sept. 10 and 11.

## SHOT FIVE OF HIS FAMILY.

Arnell Killed His Daughter and Wounded the Others—Neighbor Brought Him to Terms.

BROOKLYN, Mich., June 5.—Will Arnell, the proprietor of the Commercial Hotel here, owned a big spree to-day by shooting his six-year-old daughter, his wife, his mother, his brother and sister. His daughter is dead, his wife mortally injured, his mother and brother slightly wounded and his sister seriously wounded. After killing his daughter and shooting at everybody in sight he rushed out on the street and fired several shots. A neighbor named Dupp happened him with a shotgun and brought him down. Arnell is not dangerously injured.

## COUNT THE CITY CLUB IN.

It Will Join the Conference of the Other Anti-Tammany Bodies If Invited.

The City Club last night instructed its committee to do all in its power to cooperate in concentrating the opposition to Tammany Hall, it being already apparent that in the anti-municipal organizations are uniting in favor of an honorable, honest, aggressive, non-partisan administration, the keynote of the coming campaign.

## CARNegie'S PLAN FOR SCOTLAND.

To Bring the Universities Up to German and American Standards.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.  
LONDON, June 5.—The Right Hon. John Morley, M. P., in a speech to his constituents in the Montrose district to-day, said that half of the income of Mr. Carnegie's £2,000,000 gift to education in Scotland was to be devoted to strengthening the Scottish universities in science, medicine, history, modern languages and literature until they became as strong as the universities of Germany and the United States. The other half would be used for defraying class fees and extending lectureships to evening classes.

## \$100,000 FIRE IN ANTWERP.

Large Quantity of American Goods Destroyed in the City's Largest Warehouse.

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ANTWERP, June 5.—The Royal Entrepot, the largest warehouse in the city, has been destroyed by fire causing a loss of \$100,000. A large quantity of American goods, especially cotton, tobacco and machinery, were burned.

## MARRIED THE FAMILY COACHMAN.

Miss Laura B. Culver, Granddaughter of I. V. Baker, Jr., Becomes a Bride.

WHITEHALL, N. Y., June 5.—Miss Laura B. Culver of North Granville, a granddaughter of former Mayor I. V. Baker, was married to-day to Fred W. Aldrich of the same place at Caldwell. Aldrich was coachman of the Culver family for many years, but was educated and accomplished and recently was in New York State Legislature. The bride and groom are now at the Ten Eyck in Albany.

## BROKERS' CLERK A GAS SUICIDE.

61 Years Old and Broken in Health—Hadn't Been Speculating, Firm Says.

Charles J. Hatch, confidential clerk for H. I. Horton & Co., stock brokers, of Broadway, committed suicide yesterday at his boarding house, 210 West 121st street, by taking an overdose of morphine. He was 61 years old and had been in the employ of Horton & Co. for nearly half his life. He was the most trusted employee of the firm. He gave several months ago, Horton & Co. denied that he had been speculating.

## LACCINATORS INVADE HOTELS.

Steward of One Hostelry Who Lived at the Other Dealt With Snailpots